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To whom it may concern:

The South Dakota Occupational Therapy Association supports the change to the renewal application disclosure questions related to mental health. The proposed change of "Are you currently suffering from any condition for which you are not being appropriately treated that impairs your judgement or that would otherwise adversely affect your ability to practice medicine in a competent, ethical and professional manner? (yes/no), is a great improvement over the current language. We appreciate the attention to this matter and the positive change. Just identifying mental health was a concern for many of the occupational therapists in South Dakota. The proposed language is more inclusive of any impairment that might affect a person's ability to practice.

Thank you to the South Dakota Board of Medical and Osteopathic Examiners for their attention to and work on this change. If you have further questions please contact our organization.

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